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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation Department of Justice Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hoever:

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In reply to your letter dated 8 January 1947, Subject: "Applicant Investigations Central Intelligence Group", I wish to advise that OIG fully appreciates the extra volume of personnel investigations which you have been asked to handle.

I fully understand the necessity for increasing the time required for completing investigations to one month, and may I take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the cooperation which we have received in this connection.

Sincerely,

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J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subjects

APPLICANT INVESTIGATIONS CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE CECUP

Reference is made to the conversation of January 6, 1946, between Colonel William H. Harris, and Lieutenant Colonel Claude D. Barton of the Central Intelligence Group and Mr. G. G. Callan of this Bureau. When arrangements were made between the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Central Intelligence Group for this Bureau to conduct inquiries concerning persons under consideration for employment by CIG, it was understood that these investigations would be referred to this Bureau at the rate of approximately one hundred a mouth.

On that basis, it was sometimplated that they would be completed in approximately two weeks. Since the inception of the program, the number of cases referred to us have averaged almost twice this number.

In view of the fact that the number of investigations is considerably more than was originally contemplated, it is suggested, as mentioned by Mr. Calian to Golonel Harris, that the original agrangement be changed to provide that these investigations will be completed and the Central Intelligence Group advised of the results within thirty days after receipt of the requests to somdest the investigation by this Bureau. It is felt that such an examplement would constitute a such more practical basis of relationship between the Central Intelligence Group and the Federal Bureau of Investigation conserving this matter.

Tour comments conserning this suggestion would be greatly appreciated.

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